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Hello Friends of the TARGET Center!

Thank you for reading the inaugural copy of the new USDA TARGET Center monthly newsletter: On TARGET. Here you will find all the exciting news and events taking place at the TARGET Center in the coming weeks. Most importantly, our newsletter is available not only in traditional, large-print, and braille formats, but also in a Section 508 compliant screen-reader ready PDF file that we place on our website and e-mail to our valued customers. If you, or someone you know, would like to be added to our online mailing list please email Paul.Lloyd@usda.gov with your name and email address.

Those of you with copies of the June 24th issue of **Government Computer News** may have noticed a front-page article about the center and the importance of incorporating accessibility into the computer workplace. Those who have not seen this article, please visit: http://www.gcn.com/21_16/news/19071-1.html.

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Bruce McFarlane – our acting Director - received two awards this month from the Secretary of Agriculture. First, Mr. McFarlane accepted honors for his work in developing the emergency evacuation tips for people with disabilities as part of the Homeland Emergency Response: Terrorism Response Group. Additionally, Bruce earned an award for Operating in an Efficient, Effective and Discrimination-Free Organization by reviewing potential sites and working with the facility design team in drafting building blueprints to ensure accessibility to employees with disabilities as part of the AMS Training and Development Center Developmental Team.

As you can see, the TARGET Center is continuing its efforts in helping USDA Employees get their job done and work safely.

Please help spread the word.

Thank you once again for being a valued friend of the USDA TARGET Center.

Calendar of Events

July 18 from 10 - 11 am

TARGET will host an accessible talking printer technology demonstration with a representative from Lexmark in the TARGET Center.

July 22

The Midwest TARGET Center (St. Louis) Open House. For more information, call (314) 539-3800.

August 5-7

A TARGET representative will speak about Section 508 at The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Fourth National Customer Service Conference in Washington, D.C.

August 8 from 10 am - 12:30 pm

Pulse Data HumanWare will feature the new BrailleNote GPS (navigation device for the blind) in a technology demonstration of blind and low vision technologies.

August 22 from 10 am – 12:30 pm

Tech Access will be in the TARGET Center to demonstrate Screen Reader and Magnifier technologies.

> Don't forget! The TARGET Center presents Ergonomics Training Sessions on the last Thursday of every month The next session is on July 25 from 12 - 1 pm Please call to reserve a spot today!

Feel free to contact us at (202) 720-2600 with any questions. The TARGET Center is also located on the web at www.usda.gov/oo/target.htm.